



386 AEW responds to incident exercise



War on terror medal debuts

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Service members serving at home and abroad in the war on terrorism will now be recognized for that service. Department of Defense officials announced February 26 the final approval of two new medals and their criteria.

Individuals who have deployed for opera-

tions Enduring Freedom or Iraqi Freedom will be awarded the Global War on Terrorism Expeditionary Medal. The Global War on Terrorism Service Medal will be awarded to those who served in airport security operations in the United States following the Sept. 11, 2001, attacks or who supported operations

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far left, gets a status report from a FD member

on the condition of crew members.



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Correction

In the February 27 issue of the Rock Slate, Lt. Col. Matt Eatman was incorrectly quoted in the ESFS article and on the quotes page.

The quotes should have been attributed to Senior Airman Ryan Staples.

From the Chief

ur Air Force core values are not something we just memorize and repeat - they are something we must live each and every day.

Whether deployed or at home, we should display and carry out these critical beliefs and values; integrity, service before self, excellence in all we do.

Recently I witnessed two simple yet strong actions evidencing the full impact of these values; one was a team that painted bathroom walls and the other was two people who lugged trash to a dumpster.

Many of you have seen bathroom stalls that are filled with unwanted, oftentimes filthy graffiti.

Six people saw something wrong, and their "integrity" told them to do something about it.

They got the approval, obtained the tools, and painted over all the bathroom walls that contained offensive writing.

They did this on their day off, showcasing "service before self."

They received a team award and coins for their efforts. This was recognized because of the "excellence in all we do" standard we have in the Air Force.

Another example was two people who saw

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Chief Master Sgt. Vance Clarke 386 AEW Command Chief

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a pile of trash in the area near where they lived. They took the time to haul it to a dumpster.

Their integrity
would not let them walk
by and leave it there.
They took their time
(service before self) and
ensured their living area
reflected the standards we
require and desire (excellence in all we do.)

These actions may seem trivial compared to putting bombs on target, repairing aircraft, securing an installation, or even doing mounds of paperwork to ensure proper records are kept, but they represent the core of what makes everything happen; our people and their desire to maintain the best Air Force in the world.

Desire to maintain standards of excellence are vital to the success of our people, our mission, and our Air Force. We must ensure we set and keep all the standards.

When consistency is not maintained, or when exceptions are not explained, we begin to erode our standards and our core values. We may even begin to lose our edge at being the world's best Air Force.

It's everyone's responsibility to keep up standards.

You may say I'm "ate up," and you're probably right. I guess after nearly 24 years of service, I've learned to represent, model and live the core values.

Ask yourself, am I meeting the Air Force core values? Do I meet and enforce existing standards? Which ones? Do I want everyone to pick and choose which ones they will support?

Next time you walk by a piece of paper, or see trash piled somewhere, or see bathroom walls or some other project that needs doing, I hope your core values get you started and you do something about it.

After all, if your core values don't shine through, why would anyone else's?

"ROCK SOLID" WXKKIAK



Photos by Senior Airman James C. Dillard

Senior Airman Amy Shanley



Unit: 386th Expeditionary Security Forces Squadron

Job: Armorer

Home Unit: 347th Security Forces Squadron, Moody Air

Force Base, Ga.

How does your job support the mission here?

I issue and account for over 700 weapons belonging to U.S. and coalition forces. The Security Forces use these weapons to protect the personnel and assets assigned here.

What is the best memory you will take home from here?

Since I have 3 months left here, I am hoping the best memories are still to come. So far, I'd say my best memories come from playing soccer every Wednesday and Friday with the Japanese and Taco night.

American soccer team falls to Kuwaiti team, 4-0

Senior Airman
James C. Dillard
Rock Slate Editor

On a breezy, overcast Sunday afternoon, the Americans faced the Kuwaitis in an international soccer championship game.

The Kuwaiti team shut out the Americans with a final score of 4-0.

From the start of the game, it was obvious both teams wanted to play.

But, despite the fierce competive nature of soccer, it was more a game of goodwill than anything else.

The Kuwaiti goalie made a comment about how he and his teamates didn't care if they won; they were just glad to have the opportunity to play with the Americans.

Possession of the ball was in constant flux.

The Americans pushed through a strict Kuwaiti defense, on several occasions managing to get the ball near the goal, but failing to complete the runs.

Down two goals at the half, the Americans still pushed forward full steam, confident they could take down their opponents.

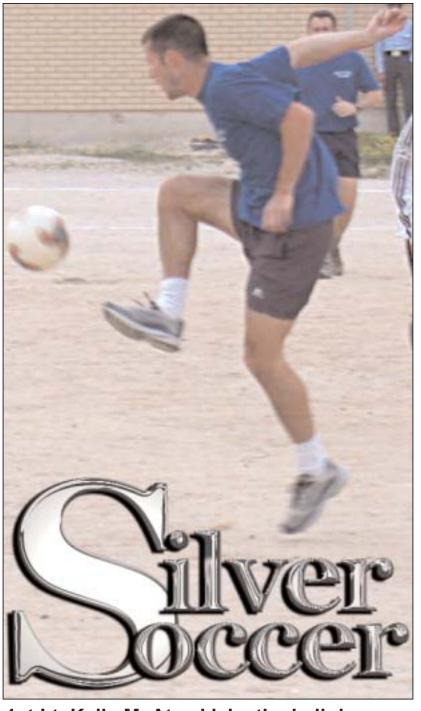
The Kuwaitis were tenacious in their game play, exhibiting a great ability to dribble the ball and pass around the American players.

The landscape also played



Photos by Senior Alrman James C. Dillard

An American player stops the ball before passing it to another player. Passing was a strong suit for the Americans.



1st Lt. Kelly McAtee kicks the ball down field during the game February 22.



The American and Kuwaiti soccer teams pose for a group photo during the half.

a factor in the outcome of the game.

"The field was definitely our greatest barrier, making it hard to put any plays together," said Airman 1st Class Alejandro Riano, coach.

According to Airman Riano, the Kuwaitis had an advantage, because they were used to the rough type of field.

The loss to the Kuwaiti team put the American team out of the running.

Desert Quotes



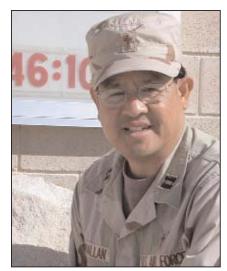
David Nell
386th Services Squadron

"What would you like to say to the men and women of Air Expeditionary Force Silver?"

I'm sure many of us would say AEF Silver has given us some new and old friendships, helped us grow more mature, taught us how fortunate we have life back home and just how much God and our families mean to us. May God bless each and every one of you.

To serve with you, the fine men and women of the 386 AEW - AEF Silver, is truly one of the highlights of my young career as an Air Force Chaplain.

I'm proud that we at the Chaplain Service have made a difference in your stay here at 'The Rock,' and I thank our leaders and every one of you for your support and dedication. God bless.



Capt. Elbert Fadallan 386th Chaplain's Office

Chapel Schedule

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Sunday:

Inspirational- 1000 Catholic Mass- 1130 LDS- 1300

Evening Worship- 1900

Monday:

Weekday Mass- 1130

M,W,TH

Praise Team- 1830

Tuesday:

Prayer- 0600

Wednesday:

Praise Team- 1830

Thursday:

Prayer- 0600

Bible Study- 1900

Friday:

Jewish Sabbath- 1730

Saturday

Catholic Mass- 1730



'Rock Recognition' for award-winning performance, hard earned promotions

The 386th Air Expeditionary Wing recently recognized their Monthly Award Winners and promotees for February.

The Company Grade Officer of the month is Capt. Timothy Rowley, 386th Expeditionary Operations Group.

Master Sgt. Scott McCalla, 386th Expeditionary Security Forces Squadron, was the Senior Noncommissioned Officer, while Tech. Sgt. Douglas Mitchell, 386th Expeditionary Civil Engineer Squadron, earned NCO of the Month honors, and Senior Airman Jonathan Ruelle, 386th Expeditionary Logistics Readiness Squadron, was named Airman of the Month.

Team of the Month awards went to the 386th Force Protection Flight and the 386th Expeditionary Operations Group was recognized with the Team "Excellence" Award.



Senior Noncommissioned Officer
Master Sgt. Scott McCalla
386th Expeditionary Security Forces Squadron



Airman
Senior Airman Jonathan Ruelle
386th Expeditionary Logistics Readiness Squadron



Photos by Senior Alrman James C. Dillard

Company Grade Officer
Capt. Timothy Rowley
386th Expeditionary Operations Group



Noncommissioned Officer
Tech. Sgt. Douglas Mitchell
386th Expeditionary Civil Engineer Squadron





(Left) Chief Master Sgt. Frank Maes, 386th Expeditionary Maintenance Squadron, administers the Senior NCO Oath to new Master Sgt. Daniel Yutzy at a 386th AEW promotion ceremony.

(Below) Navy Master Chief Petty Officer Pam Taylor swears in Senior Airmen Jeffrey Pittman, Hollis Sellman, and Chris Heaney to the NCO ranks.



Wear it with pride

The following members of the 386th AEW are recent promotees to their new rank. Congratulations!

Airman 1st Class

Bryan Carpenter Joseph Fougerousse

Senior Airman

Kelly Mason Joseph Phillips John Shinall

Staff Sergeant

Chris Heaney Jeffrey Pittman Hollis Sellman

Technical Sergeant

Randy Schuett Timothy Whitt

Master Sergeant

Andrew Harris
Aaron Kern
Tracy Schroeder
Daniel Yutzy

Senior Master Sergeant

Melvin Dilley
Terrell Johnson
Donald Olsen
Raymond Korizon Jr.

Army recognizes AF members

Senior Airman
James C. Dillard

Rock Slate Editor

Two 386th Air Expeditionary Wing members were recognized with Army Commendation Medals by the Army's 94th Movement Control Team for their support of the Army's "Rest and Relaxation" mission.

Master Sgt. Donald Easthouse and Staff Sgt. Wendi Atchley, both members of the 386th Expeditionary Logistics Readiness Squadron, were honored with the medals during a ceremony February 28.

"The Army awarded the medals to them for their selfless service and dedication to duty," said Capt. Stephanie Turos, 94 MCT. "Their tireless efforts ensured a successful Task Force Operation beginning December 20, when given only 18 hours notice to open this base as an R&R Aerial Port of Departure."

"Area 51," as the Army refers to it, is a hub for sending soldiers back to the United



Photo by Capt. Tony Hendges

Staff Sgt. Wendi Atchley, and Master Sgt. Donald Easthouse, 386th Expeditionary Logistics Readiness Squadron, receive the Army Commendation Medal from Maj. Vivian Gaz, 94th Movement Control Team. They received the decoration for the work they accomplished in cooperation with the Army during the AEF Silver rotation.

States and to various other regions to give them a break from the rigors of combat.

A lot of work needed to be accomplished before the area was suitable for its mission.

"We spent a lot of time

together with the Army getting 'Area 51' up and running," said Sergeant Atchley. "The Army now has a great process in place to run the Operation Iraqi Freedom deployment and redeployment missions, and it's a

great feeling to know that Sergeant Easthouse and I were a part of that."

Both Sergeant's Atchley and Easthouse described receiving the medal as a complete, but welcome surprise.



Photo by Senior Airman James C. Dillard

Moving on up

Lt. Col. Stephen Fisher, 386th Expeditionary Mission Support Group commander, pins on lieutenant colonel rank on the newly-promoted Lt. Col. Robert Eatman, 386th Expeditionary Security Forces commander, Saturday. The ceremony was held outside of the type of plane Colonel Eatman started his Air Force career flying in. Col. Mark R. Kraus, 386 AEW commander, also attended the ceremony.

Hats:

Hats must be plain or display conservative logos or pictures. When wom off base, bill must face forward.

Headgear:

Authorized types of headgear are the DCU cap, 8-point DCU cap, floppy hat, or Navy watch cap. All caps will be worn without alterations.

Sunglasses:

Excessively ornamental, mirrored, or bright/multi-colored lenses are not authorized; neither are light color frames. Sunglasses will completey removed when not in use, and may not hang off the uniform.

Backpack in uniform:

Items may be worn on both shoulders centered on the back while in the AOR. The following colors are permissible for rucksacks and backpacks:
Black, desert camouflage, tan, dark blue, olive drab green, or woodland camouflage. Permissible camelback colors are black, desert camouflage, and tan. Graphics and embroidery are not permitted. Individual's last name may be applied for identification purposes. Installation commanders may further supplement this guidance based on local cultural or security considerations.

Neither males or females may wear shirts or blouses of sheer fabric. Males must wear shirts with collars and hemmed sleeves. Tank tops and T-shirts are not acceptable. Long or short sleeves are acceptable, with a collar. Shirts will not be unbuttoned below the collarbone.

Shirts (off base policy):

Females must also wear shirts, that cover the midsection, with collars and sleeves. The collarbone must not be exposed. For both males and females, shirts are innapropriate if they display U.S. and/or military insignia, vulgar content or alcoholic beverage logos.

Shirts (on base policy):

Inside the U.S. compound, shirts must be in good taste. Removal of shirts for males is acceptable while participating in outdoor sport activities and sunbathing in designated areas. Sleeveless shirts are not authorized for males and females.

Pants (on and off base policy):

Inside the U.S. compound, pants must be in good taste. For males, approved off base attire includes slacks, proper fitting jeans in good condition and knee-length or longer shorts. For females, approved off base attire includes skirts, dresses, slacks, shorts and jeans. All skirts, dresses and pants must be loose fitting. Skirts, dresses and shorts will be at least knee length. Jeans must be in good condition. Shoes: Sandals may be worn.

Insignia on T-shirts:

Unit insignia may be worn on the wearer's upper left of shirt. No larger than 5 inches in diameter. Nothing may be printed on the back of the shirt.

Gor-Tex and Field Jackets:

The only authorized jackets in the AOR are the DCU field or DCU Gore-Tex jackets. The woodland BDU jacket is optional ONLY if the DCU jacket is not available. Within the U.S. compound, woodland jackets may be worn during inclement weather. Rank insignia must be worn. The Gor-Tex liner may not be worn by itself while in uniform, but may be worn with civilian attire.

Editor's note:

This chart is not all inclusive to the rules and guidelines for proper uniform and civilian attire wear. It only covers the more common questions on guidance. Any questions should be directed to unit first sergeants. More guidance may be found on the base intranet.

Boots:

Tan.

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Graphic by Senior Airman James C. Dillard

ESFS commander:

'Security Forces is kind of like having your own private pit bulls'

Lt. Col. Matt "Badger" Eatman

386th
Expeditionary
Security Forces
Squadron
Commander

Isn't being deployed a blast? Can you think of anywhere you'd rather be? This high OPTEMPO is awesome!

All that training and practicing, and we're no longer riding the pine. It's the big game, and the coach put us in the starting lineup.

Oh, yeah, and we're the visiting team playing an away game, which beats being the home team when we're playing the terrorist team.

I came here with an 11-man air base defense headquarters element and every one of us volunteered.

Okay, we begged to come here and be with you guys. We love this business, the troops we serve, and our base defense mission.

Having security forces here is kind of like having your own private pit bulls; kind of mean and ugly, but making it much easier to sleep in the house when we're walking around in the yard.

Why exactly are your security forces even here?

Well, for starters,

We love this business, the troops we serve and our base defense mission.99



Colonel Eatman

getting blown up or shot will send your morale plummeting. Our nation expects great things from each of us, and we won't get much done if we're dead.

We're here so the aircrews can do their business and everyone else can support that effort. Just look at what's happening to

over-the-road convoys in Iraq and you'll know how important airlift is in this theater.

Admit it.

Some of you get kind of aggravated at the gates.

Policies change now and then.

You were searched last week, but not this week. The airman just won't believe you when

you say you were parked in a secure area.

Sometimes it's kind of confusing, even frustrating, isn't it?

I agree. It is.

Terrorists just hate that we make access difficult, so stop complaining.

My airmen are here for six months. Additionally, some of them will only be home for six months before they come back over here again.

This is my third six-month tour and I've got troops who are over here for their sixth tour.

The next time you get frustrated, instead of taking it out on the troop, just thank God that you're tour is three months long.

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Enduring Freedom, Noble Eagle or Iraqi Freedom.

Individuals can receive both medals if they meet the individual criteria, officials said.

To be awarded the expeditionary medal, individuals must have been deployed outside the United States for OEF or OIF for 30 consecutive days or 60 nonconsecutive days. The time requirement is not needed if the individual engaged in combat, was wounded or killed in action, or was medically evacuated for any reason,

officials said.

The area of eligibility encompasses the U.S. Central Command area, (excluding the lower Horn of Africa) Middle East, eastern Turkey, Philippines, Diego Garcia and all air spaces above the land and adjacent water areas, according to the release.

Each day aircrew members fly sorties into designated areas counts as one day of deployment toward the 30- or 60-day requirement.

Individuals engaged in actual combat may be eligible for battle stars on the expeditionary medal.

Only a combatant commander can initiate a request



Front of GWOT medal.

for a battle star, and the chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff is the approving authority for them, the release states.

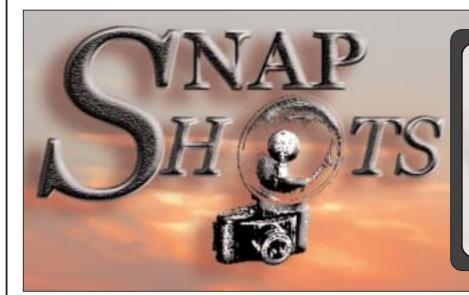
Servicemembers eligible to receive the Global War on Terrorism Service Medal must have participated in or supported operations on or after Sept. 11, 2001.



Back of medal

Service medal eligibility dates run from Sept. 27, 2001, to May 31, 2002, for individuals who served in airport security operations.

The same 30- or 60-day requirements apply to the service medal as to the expeditionary medal.



The 'Snap Shots' section of the newsletter is designed to give members of the 386th Air Expeditionary Wing the opportunity to contribute to the newsletter content. Photos can be of anything related to the 386 AEW.

To submit a photo, drop it in the Salem Public Drive under the "Snap Shots submission folder." Label the photo with full name and rank.



Courtesy photo

Keep 'em spinning

(From left) Staff Sgt. Frank Townsend, Tech Sgt. Mike Loverde and Tech. Sgt. Donald Knopp, all C-130 maintenance troops, overhaul the pump housing that mounts on the shaft of a propeller. (Foreground) Copper slip rings can be seen around the shaft of the Hamilton Standard 54H60 series propeller for the C-130H.

Rock Slate *Bulletin Board*

Article 15 punishment

Recently, five airmen received Article 15 nonjudicial punishment for the following **General Order #1** violations:

A Senior Airman received an Article 15 for accessing pornography on a government computer. He was fined \$402 and his upcoming promotion was delayed.

Four Senior Airmen received Article 15's for drinking alcohol at an offbase party. All of them received significant monetary fines and two of them had their upcoming promotions delayed.

Everyone is briefed on the prohibitions contained in General Order 1.

Compliance is not optional and your Wing leadership takes violations seriously.

(Information courtesy of the 386th Expeditionary Legal Office.)

Force Protection

Remember that even unclassified information in the wrong hands can pose a threat to security.

- -- Ensure that any material containing names, social security numbers, manning, rotator information, or flight itineraries is shredded prior to being disposed of.
- -- Also, remember to shred personal mail, containing home addresses, prior to disposal.

Don't make our adversary's job any easier.

Salem Activity Locations

Oasis Recreation Center:

Open every day. 24 hours. Play Station 2, Rockbuster 24-Hours:

Morale computers, phones, billiards, foosball, television

Flex Auditorium:

Open for special events such as bingo, bazaar, karaoke shows. Call 442-2789 to reserve.

Tent City Recreation Center:

Open every day. 24-Hours. PS2, music, billiards, foosball, ping pong, darts and sports television

Building 378

Open every day. 24 hours: Morale computers, phones and movies

Rock Theatre

Open Monday, Wednesday, Friday, Saturday, Sunday. Call 442-2789 for showings

Rock Reading and Study Lounge

Open every day 24 hours: Paperback exchange, standalone computers, complimentary coffee

Tent City Morale Trailer

Open every day 24 hours: Morale computers, phones, television

ROUND THE AIR FORCE



Courtesy photo

What do you mean, this is the 'Thunderbolt' line?

A South Korean Air Force A-37 leads two A-10 Thunderbolt IIs from the 25th Fighter Squadron at Osan Air Base, South Korea, down the taxiway. Pilots from the 25th FS along with 10 maintainers and a five-person security forces team took part in an exercise that focused on forward-air control and coordinating command and control of multinational forces.

386th Air Expeditionary Wing **Major Promotions List** Capt. Bruce Jenkins, 386 ECS Capt. Eric Reid, 386 ESVS Capt. Charles Sawders, 386 ESFS